WVLS will send an email on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m., featuring new developments for our member libraries related to COVID-19.

1) What’s New on the WVLS COVID-19 webpage
   - Status of WVLS Member Libraries
   - Tuesday’s Staying Together Recording, Chat Transcript and Scenarios Document that was discussed

2) V-Cat Council and WISCAT User Group
   There is a WISCAT User Group meeting scheduled for this Thursday, May 7 from 11 - 12:00 p.m.
   This User Group meeting potentially conflicts with V-Cat Council, and WVLS recommends attending V-Cat council meeting and watching the WISCAT User Group recording when it becomes available.

   If someone from your library can attend, please use the following link to log in to the meeting:
   Join Microsoft Teams Meeting
   +1 608-620-9781 United States, Madison (Toll)
   Conference ID: 561 395 367#

3) Waltco Manifest
   Now that courier has started in limited capacity, there have been some questions about signing the courier manifests. Your library is not required to sign the manifests. Do what you feel comfortable with, whether it’s signing it as you have been, signing the manifest with your own pen, or not signing and keeping your own records. Waltco said several of its customers are choosing not to sign them, so that is up to each library.
4) SMS Hold Pick Up Notice
In Sierra, the SMS Text Message Hold Pickup notice has been updated to:
“The item(s) you requested will be ready soon. Please contact your local library to schedule pickup.” Please contact Katie if you have any questions.

5) Webinar Reminder on Reopening Libraries
Please join the Division for Libraries and Technology for a webinar on the Guidelines for Reopening on Thursday, May 7, from 2 – 3 p.m. Here’s the attendee link to join the webinar.

6) Grant Funding Opportunities Through WHC and NEH
Please see the email from Public Library Consultant Michael Dennison about applying for the WHC CARES Relief Grant. Applications must be submitted by 4:30 pm on May 15.

7) Webinar on Managing Key Relationships During a Crisis
The coronavirus pandemic has library leaders responding with a broad range of activities. To date, what has worked? How can you apply what you and others have learned so far to the next phase in this ongoing time of unexpected change? And how can you plan to have your library be even stronger on the other end of COVID-19? Based on a tool for managing library’s key relationships, presenters will engage participants in the application of the model during this pandemic time. Join Jamie LaRue (library writer, speaker, and consultant) and Sharon Morris (Director of Library Development, Colorado State Library) on Thursday, May 21 at 2 p.m. for this webinar. Read more.

8) Curbside Services Webinar Recordings
Last week, DPI hosted a webinar in which four libraries shared their procedures and best practices around curbside service. The recordings and procedural documents are now available to view. To allow easier viewing and ease the strain on bandwidth, each library presentation has been separated into its own video. The question and answer section and additional information from DPI has also been broken out. Read more.

9) Communication Tips for Stressed Out Library Staff
When you're trying to figure out how to get all the work you have to get done during this pandemic and you're feeling overloaded, the one thing you SHOULD NOT sacrifice is communication with your community. In this episode by library marketer Angela Hursh, she
shares tips to make room in your day for promotion and for celebrating what you can get done instead of being hard on yourself for what gets left on your "to-do" list.